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# **HLTAHW012 Assist with prevention and minimisation of substance misuse**

**Release: 2**

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### Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	<p>Updated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• assessor requirements statement</li> <li>• foundation skills lead in statement</li> <li>• licensing statement</li> <li>• modification history to reflect 2012 standards</li> </ul> <p>Equivalent outcome.</p>
Release 1	<p>This version was released in <i>HLT Health Training Package release 1.0</i> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages.</p> <p>Significant changes to elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and environment requirements.</p>

### Application

This unit describes the required skills and knowledge to assess whether clients are misusing alcohol and/or other drugs and implement a care plan under direction or within established guidelines that limit discretion.

This unit applies to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers working as part, and under the supervision, of a multidisciplinary primary health care team to provide a range of primary health care services to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander clients and communities.

*The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State/Territory legislation, Australian/New Zealand standards and industry codes of practice.*

### Elements and Performance Criteria

#### ELEMENT

#### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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*Performance criteria specify the level of performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*

1. Provide information to

1.1 Ensure substance misuse information is accurate

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community about substance misuse

and easily accessed and understood by community

1.2 Obtain further information as needed

1.3 Encourage individuals to seek advice for their own circumstances

2. Assess whether individuals are misusing substances

2.1 Obtain a client history and records according to organisation guidelines

2.2 Use culturally appropriate and safe communication skills to undertake and record assessment of individual

2.3 Maintain client confidentiality

3. Plan and implement follow-up action

3.1 Plan follow-up action in consultation with other health professionals and key community workers

3.2 Ensure follow-up action is in line with community, legislative and organisation guidelines

3.3 Refer client to appropriate services in line with individual and community needs and organisation guidelines

3.4 Monitor the follow-up plan and record outcomes

**Foundation Skills**

*The Foundation Skills describe those required skills (language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills) that are essential to performance.*

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

## **Unit Mapping Information**

No equivalent unit.

## **Links**

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>